

Serial Number 09/963,567

REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliance was on the basis that the test of the withdrawn claims was omitted. In reply, a listing of claims 1-43, including the text of withdrawn claims 3, 6-13, and 15-19 is included on pages 2-12 of this Response. The amendments to the claims are otherwise identical to those submitted on October 14, 2005.

For the reasons stated in the October 14 response, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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